

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Gorich et al.
Appl. No.: To Be Assigned
Filed: Concurrent Herewith
For: APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING PANELS
FROM WOOD PIECES

MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450


**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
CITATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97**

Attached is a list of documents on form PTO-1449.

It is requested that the Examiner consider these documents and officially make them of record in accordance with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and Section 609 of the MPEP. By submitting the listed documents, Applicant in no way makes any admission as to the prior art status of the listed documents, but is instead submitting the listed documents for the sake of full disclosure.

Any foreign patents or non-patent literature documents items are attached, except those that were supplied in, or cited by the Office during prosecution of, parent Application No. 09/938,222 filed August 23, 2001. Since the benefit of this application was claimed under 35 U.S.C. 120, no copies need to be furnished in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(d); however, copies will be furnished on request.

Respectfully submitted,

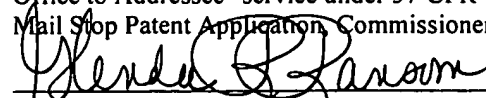

Gregory J. Carlin
Registration No. 45,607

Customer No. 00826
ALSTON & BIRD LLP
Bank of America Plaza
101 South Tryon Street, Suite 4000
Charlotte, NC 28280-4000
Tel Charlotte Office (704) 444-1000
Fax Charlotte Office (704) 444-1111

"Express Mail" mailing label number EV442274837US

Date of Deposit March 31, 2004

I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to:
Mail Stop Patent Application, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450


Glenda R. Ransom
CLT01/4639655v1

Substitute for form 1449/PTO
(Revised 04/2003)

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE
STATEMENT BY APPLICANT**

(Use as many sheets as necessary)

Complete if Known

Sheet	1	of	1	Application Number	To Be Assigned
				Filing Date	Concurrent Herewith
				First Named Inventor	Thomas Gorich
				Group Art Unit	1733
				Examiner Name	
				Attorney Docket Number	043693/275180

U. S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials*	Cite No.	Document Number Number - Kind Code (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages of Relevant Figures Appear
	1	US-1,966,055	07-10-1934	T. White et al.	
	2	US-3,190,162	06-22-1965	Sonneland	
	3	US-3,620,887	11-16-1971	Nelson	
	4	US-4,178,455	11-27-1979	Genis et al.	
	5	US-4,212,699	07-1980	Braunschweiler, Hans-Georg	
	6	US-4,444,077	04-24-1984	Wise et al.	
	7	US-4,547,255	10-1985	Yow, Larry R.	
	8	US-4,615,759	10-1986	Ota, Masayuki	
	9	US-4,785,698	11-22-1988	Stork	
	10	US-4,788,698	11-22-1988	Stork	
	11	US-5,161,697	11-10-1992	Quick	
	12	US-5,240,051	08-31-1993	Quick et al.	
	13	US-5,505,812	04-09-1996	Mortoly, Jr. et al.	
	14	US-5,595,102	01-21-1997	O'Grady	

FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Foreign Patent Document Country Code - Number Kind Code (if known)	Publication Date MM-DD-YYYY	Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Pages, Columns, Lines, Where Relevant Passages or Relevant Figures Appear	English Language Translation Attached

OTHER DOCUMENTS

Examiner Initials	Cite No.	Include name of the author (in CAPITAL LETTERS), title of the article (when appropriate), title of the item (book, magazine, journal, serial, symposium, catalog, etc.), date, page(s), volume-issue number(s), publisher, city and/or country where published.	English Language Translation Attached

Examiner Signature		Date Considered	
--------------------	--	-----------------	--

*Examiner: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609. Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.